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House Resolution 1280

By: Representatives Taylor of the 173rd, Carter of the 175th, Watson of the 172nd, Pezold of the 133rd, and Yates of the 73rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Mr. Jim Hall; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Jim Hall, a Thomasville, Georgia, resident, has been lifting weights since
- 3 his teenage years and has continued to do so with equal discipline and fervor; and
- 4 WHEREAS, at the age of 70, he decided to competitively power lift, putting his unique
- 5 strength to the test; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Hall surprised the lifting world over the past two years at various regional
- 7 and national competitions with record-setting performances of combined lifts exceeding
- 8 1,060 pounds; and
- 9 WHEREAS, at the World Power Lifting Championship in Las Vegas, where more than 700
- 10 lifters from around the world challenged one another in the test of the best, Mr. Hall, with
- 11 the assistance of his son, Jim Hall, Jr., and wife, Eleanor, shattered the bench press and squat
- 12 lifts records in excess of 70 pounds, a lofty margin given the level of competition; and
- WHEREAS, his combined total was enough to ensure the records will likely stand for many
- 14 years, and Mr. Hall says he intends to resume physical training with less emphasis on power
- and instead go back to the basics of general health and fitness training, planning to compete
- 16 again "only if [his] records are broken"; and
- 17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 18 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 the members of this body commend Mr. Jim Hall for his outstanding international
- 21 weightlifting records and extraordinary lifelong dedication to physical health.

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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

- 23 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Mr.
- 24 Jim Hall.